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LICHENIFORMIS AND RECA-

INACTIVATED SAFETY STEMS USED FOR BIOTECHNOLOGICAL PRODUCTION

Examiner: Virginia Allen Portner

## SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.